

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, Idaho's Parents and Youth Against Drug Abuse (PAYADA) and the Partnership for a Drug Free Idaho, in a united effort, are sponsoring a grass-roots community drug awareness program in Idaho and throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, Idahoans will be supporting the celebration of a National Red Ribbon Campaign in every community throughout the state to make the choice to be free of drugs and commit to a healthy lifestyle; and

WHEREAS, citizens representing business, government, law enforcement, schools, religious institutions, service organizations, youth, the medical community, senior citizens, media, military forces, sports teams and any other individuals who desire to demonstrate their commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles will be wearing and displaying red ribbons during this week-long campaign; and

WHEREAS, it is appropriate that Idaho families join together supporting a healthy choice and participating in these activities that will encourage all our citizens, both young and old, to "Stay Drug Free";

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 21 through 25, 2001, to be

RED RIBBON WEEK

AND

DRUG-FREE AMERICA WEEK

in Idaho, and I encourage all our citizens to liberate our state from the deadly grip of substances of abuse by wearing a red ribbon and participating in and encouraging others to participate in these events and other drug awareness and drug education activities as we continue our commitment to drug-free, healthy lifestyles.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this second day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

PETE T. CENARRUSA SECRETARY OF STATE